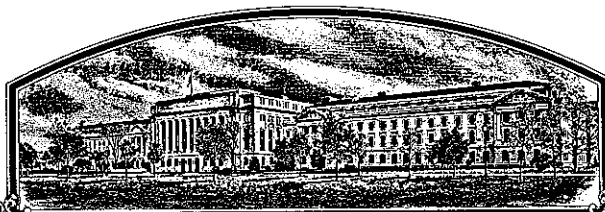


No.

8200171



# THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

## Texas Agricultural Experiment Station

Whereas, THERE HAS BEEN PRESENTED TO THE

Secretary of Agriculture

AN APPLICATION REQUESTING A CERTIFICATE OF PROTECTION FOR AN ALLEGED NOVEL VARIETY OF SEXUALLY REPRODUCED PLANT, THE NAME AND DESCRIPTION OF WHICH ARE CONTAINED IN THE APPLICATION AND EXHIBITS, A COPY OF WHICH IS HEREUNTO ANNEXED AND MADE A PART HEREOF, AND THE VARIOUS REQUIREMENTS OF LAW IN SUCH CASES MADE AND PROVIDED HAVE BEEN COMPLIED WITH, AND THE TITLE THERETO IS, FROM THE RECORDS OF THE PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION OFFICE, IN THE APPLICANT(S) INDICATED IN THE SAID COPY, AND WHEREAS, UPON DUE EXAMINATION MADE, THE SAID APPLICANT(S) IS (ARE) ADJUDGED TO BE ENTITLED TO A CERTIFICATE OF PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION UNDER THE LAW.

NOW, THEREFORE, THIS CERTIFICATE OF PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION IS TO GRANT UNTO THE SAID APPLICANT(S) AND THE SUCCESSORS, HEIRS OR ASSIGNS OF THE SAID APPLICANT(S) FOR THE TERM OF eighteen YEARS FROM THE DATE OF THIS GRANT, SUBJECT TO THE PAYMENT OF THE REQUIRED FEES AND PERIODIC REPLENISHMENT OF VIABLE BASIC SEED OF THE VARIETY IN A PUBLIC REPOSITORY AS PROVIDED BY LAW, THE RIGHT TO EXCLUDE OTHERS FROM SELLING THE VARIETY, OR OFFERING IT FOR SALE, OR REPRODUCING IT, IMPORTING IT, OR EXPORTING IT, OR USING IT IN PRODUCING A HYBRID OR DIFFERENT VARIETY THEREFROM, TO THE EXTENT PROVIDED BY THE PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION ACT (PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION ACT, 1930, AS AMENDED, 7 U.S.C. 2321 ET SEQ.)

ONION

'Texas Grano 1025Y'



In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Plant Variety Protection Office to be affixed at the City of Washington this 30th day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-three.

Attest:

*Kenneth H. ...*  
Commissioner  
Plant Variety Protection Office  
Grain Division  
Agricultural Marketing Service

*John R. Block*  
Secretary of Agriculture

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE  
LIVESTOCK, POULTRY, GRAIN & SEED DIVISION

FORM APPROVED  
OMB NO. 40-R3822

APPLICATION FOR PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION CERTIFICATE

INSTRUCTIONS: See Reverse.

No certificate for plant variety protection may be issued unless a completed application form has been received (5 U.S.C. 553).

1a. TEMPORARY DESIGNATION OF VARIETY <b>TX 036</b>		1b. VARIETY NAME <b>Texas Grano 1025Y</b>		FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY PV NUMBER <b>8200171</b>	
2. KIND NAME <b>Onion</b>		3. GENUS AND SPECIES NAME <b>Allium cepa L.</b>		FILING DATE <b>9/7/82</b>	TIME <b>8:00</b> A.M. <b>XXX</b>
4. FAMILY NAME (BOTANICAL) <b>Lilliaceae</b>		5. DATE OF DETERMINATION <b>May 1982</b>		FEE RECEIVED \$ <b>500.00</b> \$ <b>250.00</b>	DATE <b>9/7/82</b> <b>6/1/83</b>
6. NAME OF APPLICANT(S) <b>Texas Agricultural Experiment Station</b>		7. ADDRESS (Street and No. or R.F.D. No., City, State, and ZIP Code) <b>Texas A&amp;M University College Station, TX 77843</b>		8. TELEPHONE AREA CODE AND NUMBER <b>713/845-4051</b> <b>713/845-4757</b>	
9. IF THE NAMED APPLICANT IS NOT A PERSON, FORM OF ORGANIZATION: (Corporation, partnership, association, etc.) <b>State Experiment Station</b>		10. IF INCORPORATED, GIVE STATE AND DATE OF INCORPORATION <b>Texas</b>		11. DATE OF INCORPORATION <b>1876</b>	
12. NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS OF APPLICANT REPRESENTATIVE(S), IF ANY, TO SERVE IN THIS APPLICATION AND RECEIVE ALL PAPERS: <b>Send Policy, Release Committee</b> <b>Foundation Seed Service</b> <b>The Texas Agricultural Experiment Station</b> <b>College Station, TX 77843</b>					

13. CHECK BOX BELOW FOR EACH ATTACHMENT SUBMITTED:

- ☒ 13A. Exhibit A, Origin and Breeding History of the Variety (See Section 52 of the Plant Variety Protection Act.)
- ☒ 13B. Exhibit B, Novelty Statement.
- ☒ 13C. Exhibit C, Objective Description of the Variety (Request form from Plant Variety Protection Office.)
- ☒ 13D. Exhibit D, Additional Description of the Variety.

14a. DOES THE APPLICANT(S) SPECIFY THAT SEED OF THIS VARIETY BE SOLD BY VARIETY NAME ONLY AS A CLASS OF CERTIFIED SEED? (See Section 83(a). (If "Yes," answer 14B and 14C below.) ☐ YES ☒ NO

14b. DOES THE APPLICANT(S) SPECIFY THAT THIS VARIETY BE LIMITED AS TO NUMBER OF GENERATIONS? ☐ YES ☒ NO

14c. IF "YES," TO 14B, HOW MANY GENERATIONS OF PRODUCTION BEYOND BREEDER SEED? ☐ FOUNDATION ☐ REGISTERED ☐ CERTIFIED

15a. DID THE APPLICANT(S) FILE FOR PROTECTION OF THIS VARIETY IN OTHER COUNTRIES? ☐ YES ☒ NO (If "Yes," give name of countries and dates.)

Protection will be filed in several countries in near future

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15b. HAVE RIGHTS BEEN GRANTED THIS VARIETY IN OTHER COUNTRIES? ☐ YES ☒ NO (If "Yes," give name of countries and dates.)

16. DOES THE APPLICANT(S) AGREE TO THE PUBLICATION OF HIS/HER (THEIR) NAME(S) AND ADDRESS IN THE OFFICIAL JOURNAL? ☒ YES ☐ NO

17. The applicant(s) declare(s) that a viable sample of basic seed of this variety will be furnished with the application and will be replenished upon request in accordance with such regulations as may be applicable.

The undersigned applicant(s) is (are) the owner(s) of this sexually reproduced novel plant variety, and believe(s) that the variety is distinct, uniform, and stable as required in Section 41, and is entitled to protection under the provisions of Section 42 of the Plant Variety Act.

Applicant(s) is (are) informed that false representation herein can jeopardize protection and result in penalties.

**9-10-82**

(DATE)

*Harvey G. Walker*  
(SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT)

(DATE)

(SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT)

## Exhibit A

## Origin and Breeding History of the Variety

## Texas Grano 1025Y

The onion variety, Texas Grano 1025Y, was developed from a cross between Texas Early Grano 502 X Ben Shemen in 1972. The TEG 502 had been developed jointly by the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station and the USDA and released in 1947. Ben Shemen was developed in Israel and was being grown in small commercial acreage in South Texas. The variety TG 1025Y pedigree is TEG 502 X Ben Shemen  $F_2M_4$ . The  $F_1$  bulbs were selfed and selections were made as  $F_2$  selections.  $F_2$  selected bulbs were selfed and grown out as  $F_3$  progeny rows in the pink root disease screening plot and then stored for 3 months. Several hundred  $F_3$  progeny rows were observed and bulbs were selected from these lines exhibiting the most desired characteristics. Date of maturity was an important character since the objective was to develop a series of varieties which matured later than TEG 502.

Beginning with the  $F_3$  progenies three generations were made using 3 to 5 bulb masses using identical looking bulbs from the progeny row which also matured on the same date. The fourth mass was a cage increase giving the pedigree  $[(F_2M_3)M]$ .

It was entered in variety and demonstration tests as TX 036. It exhibits resistance to pink root disease (Pyrenochaeta terrestris), produces high yields of uniform almost round yellow bulbs which maintain a very bright fresh appearance even after storage. It matures 10-15 days later than TEG 502, and exhibits good storage qualities. It has a mild flavor and is excellent for producing singles centers.

Leonard M. Pike and Paul Leeper, professors of Horticulture, provided leadership in development of the variety. Research Associates Tom Barkley

and Johnny Hobbs provided technical assistance. Onion producers and shippers grew out test plots and provided assistance in evaluations. The Texas Agricultural Experiment Station by virtue of employing the principle personnel, providing the major facilities, owning the original genetic stock and providing major financing of the onion breeding program is the owner of Texas Grano 1025Y.

Texas Grano 1025Y is comparable to Ben Shemen and/or New Mexico Yellow Grano. For commercial purposes, however, it is distinctly different in shape, with much improved pinkroot resistance and storage quality. Yields from this variety are much improved when grown on pink root infested land. In addition, Texas Grano 1025Y has much better storage quality than New Mexico Yellow Grano.

Results from trials grown on the Texas A&M Research and Extension Center at Weslaco indicate that Texas Grano 1025Y is uniform and stable for essential characters such as shape, maturity, color, and quality. When compared to similar commercial types, Texas Grano 1025Y showed a much lower percentage of doubles and off types, which includes bulb color and shape which are not commercially acceptable. Grower trials in South Texas, Wintergarden area near Uvalde, Texas, West Texas near El Paso, and near Las Cruces, New Mexico also support these results. These results have been noted in similar trials for three generations. Table 1 is listed to demonstrate these findings.

Table 1: 1982 Onion Yield Trial Observations , Weslaco, Texas

	<u>Color</u>	<u>% Double</u>	<u>% Off type</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
Texas Grano 1025Y	Yellow	0.0	0.0	Uniform round
Ben Shemen	Yellow	4.3	4.3	4% White bulbs
New Mexico Yellow Grano	Yellow	5.9	1.6	White and/or pink bulbs present

Texas Grano 1025Y is a yellow shortday onion variety developed from a cross between Texas Early Grano 502 x Ben Shemen. TG 1025Y is most similar in maturity to New Mexico Yellow Grano when compared to commercial varieties grown in short day onion production areas. It matures approximately 5-8 days earlier than New Mexico Yellow Grano. The second most similar commercial variety based on bulb maturity is Ben Shemen, however, it is approximately three weeks earlier than Ben Shemen and does not resemble Ben Shemen in foliage growth, foliage color, or bulb shape.

With reference to bulb characteristics, TG 1025Y is round in shape having a shape index of 1.0. The round bulb shape is unique among yellow shortday onion varieties. In comparison, Texas Grano is top shaped, Ben Shemen is tear drop shaped, and New Mexico Yellow Grano is somewhere between globe and top shaped.

With reference to leaf scale appearance, TG 1025Y has a bright fresh appearance even after storage while Texas Grano 502 becomes dull and Ben Shemen becomes dark brown with thick dry scales similar to longday, storage type onions.

With reference to disease resistance, Texas Grano 1025Y has good resistance to pink root disease. Ben Shemen and New Mexico Yellow Grano have little to no resistance to pink root. Texas Grano 502 has pink root resistance and was the source of resistance in the original cross.

Table 1 summarizes the novelty of Texas Grano 1025Y in comparison to the most similar shortday varieties of onions.



Table 1. A comparison of Texas Grano 1025Y with most similar shortday onion varieties.

<u>Variety</u>	<u>Maturity</u>	<u>Bulb Shape</u>	<u>Leaf Scale</u>	<u>Pinkroot resistance</u>
Texas Grano 1025Y	April 28-30	Round	Bright yellow	Good
New Mexico Yellow Grano	May 5-7	Top shape*	Medium yellow	None
Ben Shemen	May 20-25	Tear drop	Dark brown	None
Texas Grano 502	April 15-20	Top shape	Dull yellow	Good

\* New Mexico Yellow Grano is classified as top shape but has been observed to be intermediate between top and globe when grown to large bulbs.

The unique differences of much importance for Texas Grano 1025Y is maturity date, round bulb shape, pink root resistance, and improved shipping and storage quality. Its maturity is important to extend production of shortday onions to provide a more orderly flow of fresh market onions to the consumer. Please refer to TAES MP 1514 for reasons for development of this variety and others which provide a means of improving an orderly flow of fresh onions to the market.



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EXHIBIT C  
(Onions)

## OBJECTIVE DESCRIPTION OF VARIETY

ONIONS (ALLIUM CEPA L.)

REFERENCES: See Reverse.

NAME OF APPLICANT(S)

FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY

PVPO NUMBER 8200171

ADDRESS (Street and No. or R.F.D. No., City, State, and ZIP Code)

VARIETY NAME OR TEMPORARY DESIGNATION

Texas Grano 1025Y

Place the appropriate number that describes the varietal character of this variety in the boxes below.

Place a zero in first box (e.g. 0 8 9 or 0 9 ) when number is either 99 or less or 9 or less.

## 1. TYPE:

1 BULB 2 BUNCHING

1 SHORT DAY 2 LONG DAY

2 4 TO 3 4 DEGREES MEAN LATITUDE - ADAPTATION RANGE

3 Maturity (days): 1 EARLY (75 - 90) 2 MEDIUM (100 - 120) 3 LATE ( &gt; 130)

## 2. PLANT

6 5 CM. HEIGHT ABOVE SOIL LINE TO HIGHEST POINT OF ANY FOLIAGE

CM. TALLER THAN (Comparable variety)

3 5 CM. SHORTER THAN TEG 502 (Comparable variety)

2 1 ERECT (Spartan Gem) 2 INTERMEDIATE 3 FLOPPY (Epoch)

## 3. LEAF:

5 0 CM. LONG (before maturity yellowing begins)

1 6 MM. WIDE 1 0 MM. THICK AT MIDLENGTH OF LONGEST LEAF

1 Color: 1 LIGHT GREEN (Early Grano) 2 MEDIUM GREEN (Yellow Bermuda)  
3 BLUE GREEN (Australian Brown U.C. No. 1)

2 Bloom: 1 NONE - glossy 2 LIGHT (Early Grano) 3 MEDIUM (Crystal Wax) 4 HEAVY (California Early Red)

## 4. SHEATH:

2 0 MM. COLUMN LENGTH (Height from soil line to base of lowest succulent leaf) 1 5 MM. DIAMETER AT MIDLENGTH

9 2 Scape: CM. FROM SOIL LINE TO BASE OF INFLORESCENCE

1 0 Scape: MM. DIAMETER AT MIDLENGTH

## 5. INFLORESCENCE:

Umbel (for seed production)

9 MAXIMUM NO. PER PLANT 5 MINIMUM NO. PER PLANT 6 AVERAGE NO. PER PLANT

7 5 MM. DIAMETER 1 1. COMPACT 2 LOOSE/OPEN 3 SHAGGY

2 Spathes: 1 LONG BEAK 2 SHORT BEAK 1 Flower Color: 1 WHITE 2 GREEN 3 BRIGHT GREEN

1 MM. ANTHOR LENGTH

3 Anthor Color: 1 LIGHT GREEN 2 DARK GREEN 3 YELLOW 4 PALE YELLOW 5 CHOCOLATE 6 RED

2 Pollen Viability: 1 STERILE 2 FERTILE 1 Sepal Shape: 1 LONG POINTED 2 ROUND SHORT



## 6. BULB:

AVERAGE NUMBER BULBS PER METER

Size (Harvest): 1 = SMALL (Red Creole) 2 = MEDIUM (Australian Brown U.C. No. 1) 3 = LARGE (Early Grano)

Shape (see attached chart): 1 = GLOBE (White Sweet Spanish) 2 = DEEP GLOBE (Abundance)  
 3 = FLT. GLOBE (Australian Brn. U.C. No. 1) 4 = TOP SHAPE (Texas Grano 502)  
 5 = DEEP FLAT (Granex) 6 = THICK FLAT (Ebenezer)  
 7 = FLAT (Crystal Wax) 8 = TORPEDO-LONG OVAL (Italian Red)

CM. HEIGHT ÷   CM. DIAMETER = 1 SHAPE INDEX

1 = INVAGINATE 2 = EVAGINATE

Color (Skin): 01 = BROWN (Australian Brn. U.C. No. 1) 02 = PURPLISH RED (Italian Red)  
 03 = BUFF RED (Red Creole) 04 = PINKISH YELLOW (Ebenezer)  
 05 = BROWNISH YELLOW (Mt. Danvers) 06 = DEEP YELLOW (Brigham Yellow Globe)  
 07 = MEDIUM YELLOW (Early Yellow Globe) 08 = PALE YELLOW (Yellow Bermuda)  
 09 = WHITE (White Sweet Spanish) 10 = OTHER (Specify) \_\_\_\_\_

Color (Interior): 1 = PINK 2 = RED 3 = PURPLISH-RED 4 = WHITE  
 5 = CREAM 6 = LIGHT GREEN-YELLOW 7 = DARK GREEN-YELLOW

Scales: 1 = FEW (Crystal Wax) 2 = MEDIUM (Australian Brown U.C. No. 1) 3 = MANY (Sweet Spanish)

Scales: 1 = THICK (Australian Brown U.C. No. 1) 2 = MEDIUM (Red Creole) 3 = THIN (Crystal Wax)

Scale Retention: 1 = VERY GOOD (Australian Brn. U.S. No. 1) 2 = GOOD (Ebenezer)  
 3 = FAIR (Red Wethersfield) 4 = POOR (Crystal Wax)

Pungence: 1 = MILD (Early Grano) 2 = MEDIUM (Crystal Wax) 3 = STRONG (White Creole)

Storage: 1 = GOOD (Ebenezer) 2 = FAIR (Yellow Globe Danvers) 3 = POOR (Crystal Wax)

## 7. DISEASE RESISTANCE (0 = Not Tested; 1 = Susceptible; 2 = Resistant)

BLACK MOLD  NECK ROT  PURPLE BLOTCH  SMUT  
 MILDEW  PINK ROOT  SMUDGE  YELLOW DWARF

## 8. INSECT RESISTANCE: (0 = Not Tested; 1 = Susceptible; 2 = Resistant)

THRIP  OTHER (Specify) \_\_\_\_\_

## 9. INDICATE A VARIETY THAT MOST CLOSELY RESEMBLES THAT SUBMITTED:

CHARACTER	NAME OF VARIETY	CHARACTER	NAME OF VARIETY
Leaf Height		Flower Ball	TEG 502
Leaf Color	Between TEG 502 & Ben Shemen	Bulb Color	TEG 502
Leaf Bloom/Wax	TEG 502	Bulb Size	TEG 502
Flower Stalk	Between TEG 502 & Ben Shemen	Bulb Shape	Sweet Spanish
Maturity at same Locantio	New Mexico Yellow Grano		

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Exhibit D

## Additional Description of the Variety

## Texas Grano 1025Y

Texas Grano 1025Y is a yellow variety developed to extend the production season of short day onions in South Texas and other similar production areas. It matures 10-15 days later than TEG 502, thus extending the harvest season in South Texas. TG 1025Y was developed to provide a round onion shape, as engineers building a mechanical onion harvester determined that round onions were the optimum shape to handle with respect to trimming the foliage and roots from the bulbs.

Other important characteristics such as pink root resistance, improved storage and shipping quality were incorporated into this variety in addition to round shape and later maturity.

The yield potential is significantly higher than for TEG 502 because of its purity of color, high percentage of single centers, and resistance to pink root. Additionally, its 10-15 day later maturity puts it in a maturity date beyond TEG 502 and other short day varieties. The maturity date is similar to New Mexico Yellow Grano. TG 1025Y had produced yields four times as great as NMYG when grown on pink root infected soil and ships and stores much better.

The variety was selected from several breeding lines which originated from similar crosses between TEG 502 X Ben Shemen, by breeders Leonard Pike, Paul Leeper, and numerous onion growers in Texas and New Mexico. Its most unique characteristics include its round shape, bright fresh appearance and its maturity date. It can easily be distinguished from TEG 502 and other short day onion varieties.

TABLE 1. A COMPARISON OF DATES OF MATURITY OF TEXAS GRANO 502 AND FIVE NEW TAES VARIETIES.

<u>VARIETY</u>	<u>Maturity</u>							
	<u>April</u>				<u>May</u>			
	<u>15</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>20</u>
Texas Grano 502	X							
Texas Grano 1015Y	X							
Texas Grano 1025Y				X				
Texas Grano 1030Y						X		
Texas Grano 1105Y							X	

TABLE 2. A COMPARISON OF THE STORAGE - SHIPPING QUALITY OF COMMERCIAL ONION VARIETIES GROWN IN TEXAS TO THE NEW VARIETIES

<u>VARIETY</u>	<u>Storage-Shipping Quality</u>						
	<u>Weeks in Storage</u>						
	<u>2-3</u>	<u>3-4</u>	<u>4-5</u>	<u>5-6</u>	<u>6-7</u>	<u>7-8</u>	
Granex	X						
Y33	X						
TE Grano 502		X					
Ringer		X					
New Mexico Yellow Grano	X						
Texas Grano 1015Y				X			
Texas Grano 1025Y					X		
Texas Grano 1030Y						X	
Texas Grano 1105Y					X		